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*Whereas, the State of Indiana has entered into an interstate compact with other midwestern states to form the Midwestern Higher Education Commission. The State also participates extensively in the activities of the Midwest Council of Governments;*

*Whereas, the Midwestern Education to Workforce Policy Initiative was developed by the Midwestern Higher Education Commission; the Council of State Governments Midwestern Regional Office, representing the Midwestern Legislative Conference; and the Midwestern Governors Association;*

*Whereas, the Midwestern Higher Education Commission and the Midwest Council of Governments have received substantial funding from the Lumina Foundation for an Education to Workforce Policy Initiative. This Initiative is designed to facilitate the work of state teams of legislators, governors, educators, and business leaders to address linking P-16 education systems and workforce development efforts to generate a thriving 21<sup>st</sup> century economy in the Midwest;*



*Whereas, the Initiative held a summit in October 2005 convening government, business, education, and legislative leaders from around the Midwest. The Midwest Education to Workforce Policy Initiative Summit concluded that the nation as a whole, and the Midwest in particular, faces unprecedented competitiveness challenges to the size and quality of its workforce;*

*Whereas, the Summit participants determined that a prudent next step in the Initiative is to convene state-level Roundtables to receive information and develop workforce plans appropriate for each state; and*

*Whereas, made up of members representing diverse constituencies in government, education, and business/industry, the Indiana Education Roundtable regularly considers broad education and workforce policy issues confronting the State: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

- 1           SECTION 1. Recognizing the need for transitions from education
- 2           and training to the workforce, the Indiana General Assembly requests
- 3           that the Indiana Education Roundtable, established at IC 20-19-4-2,
- 4           serve as Indiana's State Roundtable in the Midwestern Education to
- 5           Workforce Policy Initiative developed by the Midwest Council of State
- 6           Governments and the Midwestern Higher Education Commission.
- 7           SECTION 2. The Indiana General Assembly requests that the
- 8           Indiana Education Roundtable address the following:
- 9           1. Identification of key education to workforce issues in Indiana
- 10          2. Assessment of Indiana-specific needs, barriers, and opportunities in
- 11           developing seamless transitions from education and training to the
- 12           workforce
- 13          3. Recommendation of specific changes to state education and
- 14           workforce policy
- 15          4. Development of an action plan for sustaining the Policy Initiative,
- 16           including next steps.
- 17          SECTION 3. The Indiana General Assembly requests that a
- 18          progress report on Indiana's involvement in the Education to Workforce



- 1 Policy Initiative be submitted to the Legislative Council by June 30,
- 2 2007.

